

**Proposal 02-01
(P.R. 0099)
Offered by the Judicial Mentor Committee**

Rule 63. [A Judge Should Perform the Duties of Judicial Office Impartially and Diligently]

CANON 3

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A. Adjudicative Responsibilities (No changes)

B. Administrative Responsibilities

(1) (No changes)

(2) (No changes)

(3) (a) A judge having knowledge of a violation of these canons on the part of a judge or a violation of Rule 8.4 of the Rules of Professional Conduct on the part of a lawyer shall take or initiate appropriate disciplinary measures.

(b) Acts of a judge, in mentoring a new judge pursuant to M.R. 14618 (Administrative Order February 6, 1998 as amended June 5, 2000) and in the discharge of disciplinary responsibilities, required or permitted by Canon 3 or Art. VIII Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct are part of a judge's judicial duties and shall be absolutely privileged.

(c) Except as otherwise required by the Supreme Court Rules, information pertaining to the new judge's performance which is obtained by the mentor in the course of the formal mentoring relationship shall be held in confidence by the mentor.

(4) (No changes)

(5) (No changes)

C. Disqualification (No changes)

D. Remittal of Disqualification (No changes)

Committee Commentary

New sub-paragraph (b) is a modified version of the American Bar Association Model Code of Judicial Conduct (1990), Canon #3D(3).

New sub-paragraph (c) is the identical language currently contained in M.R. 14618 (Administrative Order February 6, 1998, as amended June 5, 2000) sub-paragraph (b)(4) on confidentiality.